HOUSE No. 2681

By Ms. Khan of Newton, petition of Kay Khan and others relative to hearings of the Division of Medical Assistance. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

An Act relative to hearings of the division of medical assistance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 48 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws,
- 2 as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 3 inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraph:—
- 4 When a hearing is requested by a resident of a nursing facility
- 5 who is being discharged or transferred from a nursing facility, a
- 6 referee must make findings as to whether the nursing facility has
- 7 provided sufficient preparation and orientation to the resident to
- 8 ensure safe and orderly transfer or discharge from the facility to
- 9 another appropriate setting.
- 1 SECTION 2. The division of medical assistance shall promul-
- 2 gate regulations consistent with this act.